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SUBJECT: SUGGESTED FORMAT AND ASSIGNMENT OF REGULAR NUMBER TO CABLE PROVIDING CAMERA OFF FRAME NUMBERS TO INTERESTED ORGANIZATIONS.

1. AT PRESENT A CABLE DESIGNATED "X" IS SENT FROM WHICH GIVES CAMERA OFF FRAME NUMBERS AND OTHER PERTINENT FRAME NUMBERING DATA. HAS ALSO ASKED FOR THIS INFO AND IT WILL BE FURNISHED TO THEM. SINCE THIS IS BECOMING STANDARD PROCEDURE FOR EACH CAPSULE OF EACH KH-4 MISSION IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE FORMAT FOR THE MESSAGE BE STANDARDIZED AND INCLUDED IN THE CORONA REPORTS MANUAL. OVER A PERIOD OF MANY MISSIONS AND AFTER REVISING THE FORM SEVERAL TIMES TEAM LEADERS AND PERSONNEL RECEIVING THE MESSAGES HAVE AGREED THAT THE PRESENT FORMAT BEST SERVES THE PURPOSE OF BOTH.

2. FOLLOWING IS AN OUTLINE OF THE MESSAGE AS PROPOSED FOR THE CORONA MANUAL WITH A SAMPLE MESSAGE:

(NUMBER TO BE ASSIGNED)

(1) PURPOSE

TO PROVIDE PARTIES ON NEED TO KNOW BASIS WITH LAST TITLED FRAME NUMBER OF EACH CAMERA OPERATION AND TO LIST ANY PROCESSING ABNORMALITIES WHICH MAY AFFECT THE NUMBER OF FRAMES IN A MISSION.

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- (2) POINT OF ORIGIN:
- (3) TRANSMISSION OF MESSAGE: BY CABLE
- (4) CLASSIFICATION: TOP SECRET
- (5) PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY IMMEDIATE
- (6) SUBMITTED FOR: EACH RECOVERED CAPSULE
- (7) REPORT TIME DUE: IMMEDIATE (AFTER ORIG NEGS TITLED)
- (8) SUBMITTED TO:
- (9) CONTENTS FORMAT:
- A. MISSION NUMBER
 - B. LIST, PASS-BY-PASS, IN ORDER OF EXPOSURE SEQUENCE, THE LAST TITLED FRAME NUMBER IN EACH CAMERA OPERATION OF THE FORWARD PAN CAMERA.
 - C. LIST, SAME AS ABOVE B FOR AFT PAN CAMERA.
 - D. THE LAST NUMBERED FRAME OF THE STELLAR EXPOSURES.
 - E. THE LAST NUMBERED FRAME OF THE INDEX EXPOSURES.
 - F. LIST ANY FRAMES WHICH WERE EDITED FROM FILM OF THE RECORD PAN CAMERA.
 - G. LIST SAME AS F FOR THE AFT PAN CAMERA.
 - H. LIST SAME AS F FOR STELLAR AND (OR) INDEX CAMERA.
 - I. LIST ANY PERTINENT REMARKS.

(10) SAMPLE CABLE:

TO:

FROM:

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REBIND (TO BE ASSIGNED)

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B. FWD:	01D; 36;	10D; 100
	02D; 35	14D; 110
	03D; 10	20D; 10, 80
	06D; 21, 42, 116	31D; 21, 31, 61
	07D; 37, 87	47D; 21
	09D; 157	50D; INCOMPLETE (SEE I)

C. AFT:	01D; 36	10D; 98
	02D; 35	14D; 109
	03D; 10	20D; 10, 79
	06D; 21, 41, 115	31D; 21, 30, 60
	07D; 36, 86	47D; 20
	09D; 155	50D; INCOMPLETE (SEE I)

D. 321

E. 325

F. PASS 47-D WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN 10.

G. PASS 47-D WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN 16.

H. WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN 261 AND 262 ON BOTH S AND I.

I. THE ABOVE FRAMES HAVE BEEN EDITED FROM ORIG NEGS AND REMAINDER OF FILM HAS BEEN TITLED AS IF THESE HAD NEVER EXISTED. THE LAST FEW FRAMES OF PASS 50D FWD AND AFT ARE CONTAINED IN SECOND CAPSULE SO FINAL FIGURE FOR TOTAL FRAMES IN THIS PASS IS INCOMPLETE AT THIS TIME. IT WILL BE FURNISHED WITH BREAKDOWN FOR SECOND CAPSULE ALONG WITH THE FRAMES (IF ANY) EXPOSED DURING

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CUT AND WRAP OPERATION.

END OF SAMPLE MESSAGE

3. ONE OTHER ITEM WHICH [] WISHES TO BRING UP AS A REQUEST
AT THIS TIME, IS THAT [] BE A RECIPIENT OF THE SAME " [] 70"
CABLE WHICH IS SENT TO []. THIS IS NECESSARY EVEN THOUGH []
RECEIVES A MORE DETAILED MESSAGE VIA DATA LINK, IN CASE THERE IS
NEED TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE [] TEAM AT [] REGARDING SOME
ITEM IN THEIR CABLE.

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